

AMENDMENTS

In the specification:

Please replace the title of the invention at page 1, line 2, with the following title:

Mannan-binding Protein

Please replace the first paragraph on page 1 (as presented in Preliminary Amendment "B") with the following corrected paragraph:

This application is a divisional application of U.S. patent application Serial No: 09/029,156, filed August 3, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,365,342, which is 35 U.S.C. §371 national filing of PCT/JP96/00173, filed January 25, 1996, which in turn is a continuation-in-part of PCT/JP95/02035, filed 02 October 2, 1995, assigned U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/011375, now U.S. Patent No. 6,110,708.

Please replace the paragraph t page 1, lines 12-15, with the following corrected paragraph:

C-type lectin comprises basic unit having four unique regions of (1) N-terminal region contained much cysteine, (2) collagen-like region, (3) neck region and (4) carbohydrate recognition domain (CRD) [Malhotra et al. Malhotra et al., European Journal Immunology, Vol. 22, pp. 1437-1445, 1992].